Sri M. P. PATIL (Minister for Revenue).—Sir, I request that question No. 760 of Sri B. R. Sunthankar be postponed as the Hon'ble Minister is not here.

Mr. SPEAKER.—Yes, the question is postponed.

Villages submerged in Khanapur Taluk.

Q.—921. Sri V. S. PATIL (Belgaum) [On behalf of Sri L. B. BIRJE (Khanapur)].—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) the number of submerged villages in Khanapur Taluk;

(*b*) the reasons for the same;

(*c*) the area of cultivable land in these villages;

(*d*) the area of the land so far cultivated;

(*e*) the attempts made to rehabilitate the above villages together with the measures taken therefor;

(*f*) whether the people from any of the villages have requested for the rehabilitation of the villages; if so, the names of such villages;

(*g*) whether the requests have been fulfilled; if not, why?

A.—Sri M. P. PATIL (Minister for Revenue).—

(*a*) Three *viz.*, Hirehattiholi, Chikhattiholi and Jiknur.

(*b*) Due to heavy floods in the river Malaprabha during 1953.

(*c*) and (*d*).—

Village	*Area of land that can be cultivated.*		*Area of land so far cultivated.*	
	A.	G.	A.	G.
(i) Hirehattiholi ...	743	15	736	4
(ii) Chikhattiholi ...	405	14	264	17
(iii) Jiknur ...	404	14	326	28

(*e*) Following steps were taken to rehabilitate the three villages:—

(i) Provision of plots and grant of Tagai Loan to the villagers for rebuilding their houses.

(ii) Supply of free timber, iron sheets, cement and stones.

(*f*) Yes. The three affected villages.

(*g*) Yes.

Sri V. S. PATIL.—Sir, what is the amount met by the Government for giving the tackavi loans and loans for rebuilding houses to the villagers.

Sri M. P. PATIL.—Rs. 8,000 is given.

Sri V. S. PATIL.—What about the grants for the rebuilding of Houses and the supply of free timber, iron sheets, cement, stones, etc.? What is the total expenditure incurred by the Government to rehabilitate these people?

Sri M. P. PATIL.—Sir, it is not possible for me to calculate the total expenditure. In addition to takkavi loans, other facilities are also given and it is not possible to calculate it now.

Sri V. S. PATIL.—On what basis takkavi loans is given; whether it is on the basis that particular sum was required for erecting the houses. Is there any limit fixed for granting these loans and if so, on what basis this limit is fixed?

Sri M. P. PATIL.—The amount of takkavi loan has been fixed on the basis of the demand and their necessity also.

Sri M. N. NAGHNOOR.—Since these villages are repeatedly affected by floods, may I know whether there is any proposal before the Government to rehabilitate them in some other place?

Sri M. P. PATIL.—It is already replied.

Sri V. S. PATIL.—May I know whether Government has done anything to bring the lands that were flooded into cultivation and re-mark the demarcations that have been destroyed as a result?

Sri M. P. PATIL.—There is no question of the land Sir. The question is about construction of their houses.

Sri G. B. SHANKAR RAO.—I want to know Sir, to what head of account was the cost of articles supplied free of cost for rebuilding houses, debited?

Sri M. P. PATIL.—That is what I said just now. I have not been able to calculate the cost of materials supplied. 500 zinc sheets have been supplied. Materials from the forest also have been supplied. They have been given permission to take forest materials. Some of them have taken and some have not taken. It is not possible for me to calculate the amount of the price of these forest materials.

Sri H. V. KOUJALGI.—May I know the number of families that have been rehabilitated with the aid of the Government?

Sri M. P. PATIL.—34 families for Rs. 8,000.

Sri V. S. PATIL.—Sir, the acreage of land flooded is also given. I want to know whether the Government have spent anything to bring this acreage into proper cultivation?

Sri M. P. PATIL.—They wanted mainly takkavi loans and loans for the construction of houses. As far as the lands are concerned, they have brought them into cultivation and for that purpose they had no necessity to take loans.

Delay in the Completion of the Assembly Hall of the Board High School, Coondapur.

Q.—1034. Sri Y. MANJAYA SHETTY (Baindur).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) the estimated cost of construction of the 'Assembly Hall' in the Board High School, Coondapur, South Kanara District;

(*b*) whether it is a fact that there is undue delay in the construction of the same due to lack of proper and effective control over the work;

(*c*) if so, the action they propose to take for expediting the completion of the work?

A.—Sri V. VENKATAPPA (Minister for Education).—

(*a*) Rs. 40,000.

(*b*) There is delay which is unavoidable owing to want of certain specific materials needed for the construction of the Hall.

(*c*) Necessary instructions have been issued to secure the materials required and complete the construction expeditiously.

Sri Y. MANJAYA SHETTY.—I do not propose to put any supplementries because the building is nearing completion, Sir.

Repairs to Bhairimardi Tank in Shorapur Taluk.

Q.—1183. Sri V. KUMAR NAIK (Shorapur).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) whether any amount for the repairs of Bhairimardi Tank in Shorapur Taluk is being sanctioned by the Government;

(*b*) if so, the amount and when will the work be started?

A.—Sri H. K. VEERANNA GOWDH (Minister for Public Works).—

(*a*) No.

(*b*) Does not arise in view of reply to clause (*a*).

Sri V. KUMAR NAIK.—Sir, before putting the question I want to state that the information furnished by the Hon'ble Minister is not correct.

Mr. SPEAKER.—You cannot challenge the answer like that. You can ask for information. If you are not satisfied with the answer, you can put a supplementary question and elicit the information.

Sri V. KUMAR NAIK.—Sir, to question (*a*) the reply given is 'No'; I want to know why it is so.

Sri H. K. VEERANNA GOWDH.—Because it is not sanctioned.

Sri J. B. MALLARADHYA.—Sir, an answer like that is not likely to help anybody on the floor of the House. If